STATE OF NEVADA



Department of Conservation & Natural Resources

Brian Sandoval, Governor Leo M. Drozdoff, P.E., Director David Emme, Administrator

NOTICE OF PROPOSED ACTION - Bureau of Mining Regulation and Reclamation

Web Posting: 09/14/2016

Deadline for Comment: 10/14/2016

The Administrator of the Division of Environmental Protection (the Division) gives notice that an application for a renewal of a Water Pollution Control Permit for the **Trenton Canyon Project**, a mining and beneficiation facility, has been properly filed with the Division of Environmental Protection in Carson City. The Applicant for renewal of Water Pollution Control Permit **NEV0095112** (Permit) is:

Newmont Mining Corporation P.O. Box 1657 Battle Mountain, Nevada 89820-1657

The facility is located on public and private land in Humboldt County, within Sections 1 and 10 through 15, Township 32 North, Range 42 East (T32N, R42E), Section 36, T32N, R43E, and Section(s) 7 and 18 through 20, T33N, R43E, Mount Diablo Baseline and Meridian, approximately 10 miles south of the town of Valmy, Nevada, and 12 miles west of the town of Battle Mountain, Nevada.

The Project consists of a open pit mine and chemical beneficiation facility, pursuant to Nevada Administrative Code (NAC) 445A.394, designed to extract gold, with a maximum permitted production rate of 8.2 million tons of ore per year. The facility is comprised of mine, heap leach pad, ponds, a gold recovery facility and wells. Facilities are required to be designed, constructed, operated, and closed without any discharge or release in excess of those standards established in regulation except for meteorological events which exceed the design storm event.

The Administrator is constrained to either issue the renewed Permit or to deny the application. The Administrator has made the tentative decision to issue the renewed Permit.

Persons wishing to comment upon the proposed Permit, to recommend terms and conditions for consideration of incorporation into the Permit, or who request a public hearing pursuant to NAC 445A.403, must submit their written comments, objections, or requests by hand delivery or US Postal Service, or by facsimile or e-mail transmittal, no later than 5:00 PM on the 30th day following the date of publication of this notice (submittal end date 14 October 2016) to:

Division of Environmental Protection Bureau of Mining Regulation and Reclamation 901 South Stewart Street, Suite 4001 Carson City, NV 89701-5249

All comments, objections, or requests received during the public notice period will be considered in the final determination regarding the Permit. If the Division determines written comments or requests indicate a significant degree of public interest in this matter, the Administrator shall schedule a public hearing in accordance with the requirements of NAC 445A.405.

The draft Permit and all application documents are on file at the Division and are available for public inspection and copying pursuant to Nevada Revised Statute 445A.665. For more information, contact Natasha Zittel at (775) 687-9413 or visit the Bureau of Mining Regulation and Reclamation website at http://ndep.nv.gov/bmrr/index.htm.